RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Reference to the Honorable Parris N. Glendening, Governor of Maryland; the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate of Maryland; the Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr., Speaker of the House of Delegates; the Honorable C.A. "Dutch" Ruppersberger, III, Baltimore County Executive; the Honorable David L. Winstead, Secretary of Transportation; and the Honorable James Brady, Secretary of Business and Economic Development, and Robert Hannon, Director of Economic Development for Baltimore County.

Signed May 23, 1996.

Joint Resolution No. 6

(House Joint Resolution No. 13)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Volunteers - Maryland Defense Force

FOR the purpose of recognizing the contribution to the State of the Maryland Defense Force and its members.

WHEREAS, The Maryland Defense Force is composed entirely of volunteers who train for duty in support of the various State missions of the Maryland National Guard; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland Defense Force carries out missions and duties that involve community, service, and humanitarian activities throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, The spirit and dedication shown by the members of the Maryland Defense Force exemplify the highest traditions of duty to community, State, nation, and mankind; and

WHEREAS, There is a need to bring to the attention of all Marylanders the many accomplishments of this effective organization; and

WHEREAS, It is important to the citizens of the State that the members of the Maryland Defense Force give their time and expertise in worthy causes that benefit all the citizens of the State; and

WHEREAS, Many of the members of the Maryland Defense Force have prior service in the armed forces of the United States, rendering such service in both war and peace; and

WHEREAS, The continued service of the members of the Maryland Defense Force is a significant asset to the State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Maryland Defense Force and each individual member is to be commended for activities that benefit the State and its citizens; and be it further